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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

The Honorable

**Assistant Commissioner of Patents** 

Sir:

This letter is responsive to an Examiner's Action mailed April 1, 1996 requiring applicants to elect one of five inventions set forth by the Examiner on page 2 of Paper No. 5. Applicants respectfully traverse this restriction requirement. However, to facilitate prosecution on the merits, applicants elect to prosecute claims 9 and 10, drawn to antibodies and hybridoma cells, classified in Class 530, subclass 387.1 and Class 435, subclass 240.27, grouped by the Examiner as invention II. Please cancel without prejudice all nonelected claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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